

new parent company on a share-for-share basis, according to the application. Notice of this application for consent was published in the **Federal Register** on December 12, 1997 (62 FR 65448); and an Environmental Assessment and a Finding of No Significant Impact was published in the **Federal Register** on December 15, 1997 (62 FR 65716).

Under 10 CFR 50.80, no license shall be transferred, directly or indirectly, through transfer of control of the license unless the Commission shall give its consent in writing. Upon review of the information submitted in the application dated June 9, 1997, the staff of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission has determined that the proposed restructuring of BECo will not affect the qualifications of BECo as holder of the license for Pilgrim and that the transfer of control of the license, to the extent effected by the restructuring of BECo, is otherwise consistent with applicable provisions of law, regulations, and orders issued by the Commission, subject to the conditions set forth herein. These findings are supported by a safety evaluation dated February 11, 1998.

III

Accordingly, pursuant to Sections 161b, 161i, 161o, and 184 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended; 42 U.S.C. 2201(b), 2201(i), 2201(o), and 2234; and 10 CFR 50.80, *it is hereby ordered* That the Commission approves the application regarding the proposed restructuring of BECo subject to the following: (1) BECo shall provide the Director of the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation a copy of any application, at the time it is filed, to transfer (excluding grants of security interests or liens) from BECo to its proposed parent or to any other affiliated company, facilities for the production, transmission, or distribution of electric energy having a depreciated book value exceeding 10 percent (10%) of BECo's consolidated net utility plant, as recorded on BECo's books of account, and (2) should the restructuring of BECo not be completed by December 31, 1998, this Order shall become null and void, provided, however, on application and for good cause shown, such date may be extended.

This Order is effective upon issuance.

IV

By March 23, 1998, any person adversely affected by this Order may file a request for a hearing with respect to issuance of the Order. Any person requesting a hearing shall set forth with particularity how that interest is

adversely affected by this Order and shall address the criteria set forth in 10 CFR 2.714(d).

If a hearing is to be held, the Commission will issue an order designating the time and place of such hearing.

The issue to be considered at any such hearing shall be whether this Order should be sustained.

Any request for a hearing must be filed with the Secretary of the Commission, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, Attention: Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff, or may be delivered to the Commission's Public Document Room, The Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, NW., Washington, D.C. by the above date. Copies should be also sent to the Office of the General Counsel and to the Director, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, and to William S. Stowe, Esq., Boston Edison Company, 800 Boylston Street, Boston, MA 02199, Assistant General Counsel for BECo.

For further details with respect to this action, see the application for approval regarding the corporate restructuring dated June 9, 1997, and the safety evaluation dated February 11, 1998, which are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, The Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, NW., Washington, DC, and at the local public document room located at the Plymouth Public Library, 11 North Street, Plymouth, Massachusetts.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 11th day of February 1998.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Samuel J. Collins,

Director, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Docket Nos. 50-269, 50-270, AND 50-287

Duke Energy Corporation; Notice of Withdrawal of Application for Amendments to Facility Operating Licenses

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has granted the request of Duke Energy Corporation (the licensee) to withdraw its September 4, 1997, application for proposed amendments to Facility Operating License Nos. DPR-38, DPR-

47, and DPR-55 for the Oconee Nuclear Station Units 1, 2, and 3, respectively, located in Seneca, South Carolina.

The proposed amendments would have revised the Technical Specifications (TS) pertaining to the justification of the acceptability of the current TS for the High Pressure Injection (HPI) System and allowing operation at reduced power levels with two HPI pumps. The submittal was made because of the potential for an extended shutdown to repair the 3B HPI pump that existed at the time the amendments were proposed. The 3B pump has been repaired.

The Commission had previously issued a Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendments published in the **Federal Register** on September 24, 1997 (62 FR 50003). However, by letter dated February 9, 1998, the licensee withdrew the proposed change.

For further details with respect to this action, see the application for amendments dated September 4, 1997, and the licensee's letter dated February 9, 1998, which withdrew the application for license amendments. The above documents are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, the Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, NW., Washington, DC, and at the local public document room located at the Oconee County Library, 501 West South Broad Street, Walhalla, South Carolina.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 12th day of February 1998.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards; Subcommittee Meeting on Planning and Procedures; Notice of Meeting

The ACRS Subcommittee on Planning and Procedures will hold a meeting on March 2, 1998, Room T-2B1, 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

The entire meeting will be open to public attendance, with the exception of a portion that may be closed pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b(c) (2) and (6) to discuss organizational and personnel matters that relate solely to internal personnel rules and practices of ACRS, and information the release of which would